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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the documents cited against Japanese Patent Application 7-048106 by an Office Action mailed December 16, 2003 in the attached form equivalent to form PTO/SB/08A for the Examiner's consideration.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted after the submission of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and is accompanied by the following certification specified in 37 CFR '1.97(e)

On information and belief, I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

Each of the documents listed on the attached form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 has an Abstract in the English language.

It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered by the Examiner.

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